

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claim 1 (currently amended): A method of self-service ordering at a fast food restaurant, comprising the steps of:

(a) providing a kiosk at a first location ~~in~~ at said restaurant, said kiosk comprising:

a touch-screen panel with audio, visual or audiovisual display of food items or other items, and

a receiving means for receiving and transmitting information stored on a patron's credit or debit payment instrument;

an audio transmission means that provide audio information to the patron;

a PIN pad; and

a printer;

(b) operating ordering at least one food or other item at said via touch selection by the patron on said touch-screen panel by a patron to order at least one item;

(c) displaying and totaling the charges on the touch screen panel for said at least one food or other item ordered by said patron;

(d) inserting [[a]] said patron's credit or debit payment instrument into said receiving means on said kiosk;

(e) verifying the patron's account represented by said credit or debit payment instrument and approving the information stored ~~thereon the patron's payment instrument;~~

(f) debiting the patron's account in the amount of said totaled charges ~~or debiting the patron's account in the amount of said totaled charges plus a cashback amount dispersable to said patron, said patron having entered a personal identification number on said PIN pad verifying and approving the cashback transaction;~~ and

(g) assembling said at least one food item ~~from the order~~ at a second location remote from said first location ~~using order information collected on said touch-screen panel~~ and delivering said food or other item(s) to the patron at [[a]] said second

location or other location remote from said first location ~~at which where~~ said kiosk is located.

Claim 2 (currently amended): The method of claim 1, wherein said credit payment instrument is ~~selected from the group consisting of a charge card, a credit card [[,] and said debit payment instrument is a debit card, a gift card and or a prepaid smart card.~~

Claim 3 (currently amended): The method of claim 1, further comprising: ~~wherein displaying advertisements are displayed on said touch-screen panel of said kiosk.~~

Claim 4 (currently amended): The method of claim 1, further comprising: ~~a step after step (f) of printing out a receipt wherein said receipt contains containing the total charge for the items ordered by said patron and a designated location.~~

Claim 5 (currently amended): The method of claim 4, further comprising: ~~wherein printing a coupon is printed on said receipt.~~

Claim 6 (canceled).

Claim 7 (currently amended): The method of claim 1, wherein said other item(s) is ~~a food item, a toy [,,]~~ or a newspaper.

Claim 8 (currently amended): A The method of claim 1 self-service ordering at a restaurant, further comprising the steps of:

- (a) ~~providing a kiosk at a first location in said restaurant, said kiosk comprising a touch screen panel and a receiving means for receiving and transmitting information stored on a patron's payment instrument;~~
- (b) ~~operating at said touch screen panel by a patron to order at least one item;~~

(e) — suggesting to said patron additional items for sale that are appropriate to the food items ordered by said patron, ~~wherein said suggesting is delivered by a mean selected from the group consisting of via [[a]] the video display, an the audio display and or an the audiovisual display on said touch-screen panel.~~

(d) — totaling the charges for said at least one item ordered by said patron;

(e) — inserting a patron's payment instrument into said receiving means on said kiosk;

(f) — verifying the patron's account represented by said payment instrument and approving the information stored on the patron's payment instrument;

(g) — debiting the patron's account in the amount of said totaled charges; and

(h) — assembling said at least one food item at a second location remote from said first location using order information collected on said touch screen panel and delivering said food item to the patron at a location remote from said first location at which said kiosk is located.

Claims 9-14 (canceled).

Claim 15 (currently amended): A method of self-service ordering at a fast food restaurant, comprising the steps of:

(a) — providing a kiosk at a first location ~~in~~ at said restaurant, said kiosk comprising:

~~a touch-screen panel with audio, visual or audiovisual display, and a receiving means for receiving and transmitting information stored on a patron's credit or debit payment instrument;~~

~~an audio transmission means that provide audio information to the patron;~~

~~a voice recognition means for an order of food or other item(s) articulated and verbalized by said patron;~~

a PIN pad; and

a printer;

(b) verbalizing at least one food or other item displayed on operating at
said touch-screen panel by [[a]] said patron to order at least one said food or other item(s)
via said voice recognition means, said operating comprising verbalizing the name of said
food item to said kiosk;

(c) displaying and totaling the charges on the touch screen panel for
said at least one food or other item ordered by said patron;

(d) inserting [[a]] said patron's credit or debit payment instrument into
said receiving means on said kiosk;

(e) verifying the patron's account represented by said credit or debit
payment instrument and approving the information stored thereon the patron's payment
instrument;

(f) debiting the patron's account in the amount of said totaled charges
or debiting the patron's account in the amount of said totaled charges plus a cashback
amount dispersable to said patron, said patron having entered a personal identification
number on said PIN pad verifying and approving a cashback transaction; and

(g) assembling said at least one food or other item from the verbal order
at a second location remote from said first location using order information collected on
said touch screen panel and delivering said food or other item(s) to the patron at [[a]] said
second location or other location remote from said first location at which where said kiosk
is located.

Claim 16 (currently amended): The method of claim 15, wherein said credit
payment instrument is selected from the group consisting of a charge card, a credit card
[[.]] and said debit payment instrument is a debit card, a gift card and or a prepaid smart
card.

Claim 17 (currently amended): The method of claim 15, further comprising:
wherein displaying advertisements are displayed on said touch-screen panel
on said kiosk.

Claim 18 (currently amended): The method of claim 15, further comprising:

~~a step after step (f) of printing out a receipt wherein said receipt contains containing the total charge for the food or other items ordered by said patron and a designated location for receiving said patron's signature in accepting said charge on said patron's account.~~

Claim 19 (currently amended): The method of claim 18, further comprising: ~~wherein printing~~ a coupon ~~is~~ printed on said receipt.

Claim 20 (canceled).

Claim 21 (currently amended): The method of claim 15, wherein said other item(s) is a ~~food item~~, a toy [,.] or a newspaper.

Claim 22 (currently amended): ~~A~~ The method of claim 15 ~~self service ordering at a restaurant, wherein said kiosk comprises an electronic signature means, said method further comprising the steps of:~~

(a) ~~providing a kiosk at a first location in said restaurant, said kiosk comprising a touch screen panel and a receiving means for receiving and transmitting information stored on a patron's payment instrument;~~

(b) ~~operating at said touch screen panel by a patron to order at least one item;~~

(c) ~~totaling the charges for said at least one item ordered by said patron;~~

(d) ~~inserting a patron's payment instrument into said receiving means on said kiosk;~~

(e) ~~verifying the patron's account represented by said payment instrument and approving the information stored on the patron's payment instrument;~~

(f) ~~receiving said patron's electronic signature at the kiosk as an acceptance of said totaled charges for the food or other item(s) ordered by said patron,~~
[[;]]

(g) ~~debiting the patron's account in the amount of said totaled charges;~~
and

(h) ~~assembling said at least one item at a second location remote from said first location using order information collected on said touch screen panel and delivering said item to the patron at a location remote from said first location at which said kiosk is located.~~

Claims 23-25 (canceled).

Claim 26 (currently amended): A self-service ordering system using ~~capable of receiving~~ electronic payment at a fast food restaurant, the system comprising:
a kiosk displayed located at a first location in at said restaurant, said kiosk comprising:

a touch-screen panel with audio, visual or audiovisual display of food items or other items upon which a patron can select and order at least one item;

means for transmitting and producing audio signals that provide audio information in assisting and directing a patron in the ordering process;

means for communicating said patron's order to a second location remote from said first location in said restaurant, wherein said food or other item(s) ordered by said patron is assembled at said second location; and

means on said kiosk for receiving and transmitting information stored on said patron's credit payment instrument or said debit payment instrument for accessing said patron's account represented by said credit or debit payment instrument and debiting said account the total charge for the food or other item(s) ordered by from said patron's account;

means for receiving and verifying a personal identification number;

means for obtaining cash back from said debit payment instrument;

and

a printer.

Claim 27 (currently amended): The system of claim 26, wherein said credit payment instrument is selected from the group consisting of a charge card, a credit card [[,] and said debit payment instrument is a debit card, a gift and or a prepaid smart card.

Claim 28-29 (canceled).

Claim 30 (currently amended): The system of claim 26, further comprising:
[[a]] means for receiving said patron's electronic signature at the kiosk in accepting said total charge for the food or other item(s) ordered by said patron.

Claim 31 (canceled).

Claim 32 (currently amended): The system of claim 26, further comprising:
[[a]] means for receiving and responding to an order articulated and verbalized by said patron, said order comprising names of the food or other items ordered by said patron.

Claim 33 (currently amended): The method of claim 26 36, wherein said other items ~~is are a food item~~, a toy [[,]] or a newspaper.

Claim 34 (new): The method of claim 1, wherein said kiosk comprises an electronic signature means, said method further comprising:

receiving said patron's electronic signature at the kiosk as an acceptance of said totaled charges for the food item ordered by said patron.

Claim 35 (new): The method of claim 15, further comprising:
suggesting to said patron additional items for sale that are appropriate to the food items ordered by said patron via the video display, the audio display or the audiovisual display on said touch screen panel.